

Frederick County Animal Control

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Staff Use OnlyReference check: Name ☐ Vet ☐ Lic. ☐ Llord/Prop ☐ by _____☐ approved ☐ rejected by: _____

PU _____ restrictions: _____

Staff _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

App# _____ Name/Intake Number _____ Admission Date _____

Age _____

Sex/Altered? _____

Declawed/Cropped _____

Breed _____

Reason for relinquish/other pertinent facts _____

ADOPTER INFORMATION (Please Print)

Name: _____

Driver's License Number _____

Address: _____

Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____

Number

Street

Apt. #

(Cell) _____

City

State

Zip

Do you ☐ own* ☐ rent ☐ house ☐ townhouse ☐ apartment ☐ condo *Proof of ownership requiredHow long have you lived at this address? _____ Do you live with your parents? ☐ yes ☐ no

Please provide the name and phone number of your landlord, condo or neighborhood association. _____

Do you operate a home-based business? ☐ yes ☐ no What type of business? _____How did you find out about this pet? ☐ Walk-In ☐ Newspaper ☐ Radio ☐ Petfinder ☐ Friend**Please identify current pets in your household.**

NAME	BREED/SPECIES	AGE	ALTERED (YES OR NO)	WHERE IS PET MAINTAINED? (INSIDE, OUTSIDE, OR BOTH)

Please list previous pets and explain what happened to them (died of old age, lost, given away, stolen, etc.):

NAME	BREED/SPECIES	AGE	WHAT HAPPENED

Have you ever adopted from the Frederick County Animal Shelter before? ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, when (date): _____

How many children live in your home? _____ Ages: _____ Number of people in household? _____

Have all members of the household visited with the animal as required? ☐ yes ☐ no

Is someone home during the day? ☐ yes ☐ no During what hours? _____

Do you anticipate a transfer or a move out of state? ☐ yes ☐ no If yes, when? _____

I understand that all dogs and cats from Frederick County Animal Shelter must be altered. ☐ yes ☐ no

I understand that the law requires that all cats and dogs are to be vaccinated and licensed. ☐ yes ☐ no

I agree to schedule an appointment with a licensed veterinarian within three (3) days of the date of adoption. ☐ yes ☐ no

Do you have a veterinarian now? ☐ yes ☐ no Veterinarian's name: _____

Why do you want to adopt this animal? _____

Who will be the primary caregiver for this pet? _____

This animal may not be housetrained. Are you willing to take the time to work with the animal? ☐ yes ☐ no

How long are you willing to work with the pet while he/she adapts to his new environment and family members?

Days _____ Weeks _____ Months _____ Would you be willing to consult a professional trainer? (obedience class, behaviorist)?

I understand that I am expected to allow a new pet at least thirty (30) days to adjust to my home. ☐ yes ☐ no

Under what circumstances would you need to return this pet to the shelter? _____

Does any person living in the house have allergies to animals? ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ don't know

If you are going away, who will care for the pet? _____

How much do you think it will cost for food, vet care and license, yearly? _____

CATS ONLY: Will the cat you adopt be: ☐ inside only ☐ outside only ☐ both

Do you plan to declaw the cat? ☐ yes ☐ no Are your present cats declawed? ☐ yes ☐ no

DOGS ONLY: Do you have a fenced yard? ☐ yes ☐ no Fence Height? _____ Fence Type ? ☐ wood ☐ chain link

Where will the dog sleep? _____

Where will the dog stay during the day? _____ When home alone? _____

How will the dog be confined or controlled out of doors? _____

Name of Homeowners Insurance Company: _____

(Some companies DO NOT cover liability for certain breeds.)

SMALL MAMMALS, BIRDS AND REPTILES ONLY: Do you have a: Cage, Hutch, Aquarium or other home for the pet? Describe: _____

Where will the pet's cage be kept? _____

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Would you be willing to Volunteer at the Shelter? ☐ yes ☐ no

Would you be interested in participating in our Foster Care Program? ☐ yes ☐ no

ADOPTION PROCEDURE:

An FCAC representative will conduct an informational interview with you and your family prior to adoption. This personalized interview is to answer any questions about your new pet and to alert you to problems which might arise. The representative will help you plan how to successfully introduce your new pet to your home and explain how to help your new pet become part of the family. All altering fees must be paid at the time of adoption.

FAILURE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION WITHIN 24 HOURS MAY CAUSE THIS APPLICATION TO BE REJECTED.

I certify that I have answered all questions honestly and to the best of my ability. I consent to FCAC contacting my veterinarian and landlord for reference checks.

Applicant's Signature

Date

FCAC STAFF USE ONLY: Representative: _____ ☐ HSCK Date _____ ☐ TEL ☐ INHS

Comments: _____

OUR MISSION FOR FREDERICK COUNTY

The mission of the Frederick County Division of Animal Control is to prevent cruelty, abuse and neglect of animals in Frederick County by enforcing all state, county and city ordinances to the fullest extent possible. We will shelter homeless animals and attempt to place them in safe and loving home environments. We will educate the public on all animal issues to foster a more aware and caring community.

ADOPTION COUNSELING

Please take time in choosing a pet. Take into consideration the cost of food and health care as well as the time you have available to spend with your new companion. Consider the needs of the animal as well as your own. We may request that you take a 24 hour thought period to carefully consider the advantages and disadvantages of pet ownership.

Pets are easily confused by drastic changes in their homes, lifestyles, etc. Their habits may change with each new owner. PLEASE ALLOW AT LEAST 30 DAYS FOR ANY ANIMAL TO ADJUST TO A NEW HOME. You are new to the animal and they are not sure where they are or how long they will be there. If you cannot provide a lifetime home for a pet, do not adopt it!

Animals need companionship and supervision. Dogs need to be secured to prevent them from becoming a free-roaming nuisance to the community. Chaining has been shown to heighten territoriality and aggression. Chained dogs are often barkers, diggers and easy targets for other dogs and pranksters. Fenced yards are recommended. All pets need a loving, secure home with proper food, water, shelter, exercise and medical care provided.

The staff is trained to assist you in selecting the right pet. Please ask us about pet selection. We are also available to assist you with any questions or problems you may have concerning your companion in the future and we encourage you to contact us.

Placing animals in new homes is a responsibility we take very seriously. Our adoption program includes an application form and legal adoption agreement. All persons interested in adopting a pet from the Frederick County Animal Shelter must read and complete the forms. In the interest of the animal you wish to adopt and yourself, your patience and undivided attention is required throughout this process.

Animals in the Shelter are under the care of Frederick County Animal Control and we reserve the right to refuse the adoption of an animal to a home that does not meet the established standards. This includes the right to investigate new homes and remove the animal if it is not receiving proper care or has been mistreated.

I have read and understand the information provided on the Frederick County Standards for Adoption.

Signature _____

Date _____

FREDERICK COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

ADOPTION APPLICANT INFORMATION SHEET

IN # _____

STAFF INITIALS _____

Thank you for visiting the Frederick County Animal Shelter and filing an application on one of our animals. The Frederick County Animal Shelter wants to help ensure the best possible match between adopter and pet, and works with adopters to help ease the introduction of a new pet into your family.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

APPLICANTS ARE TAKEN ON A FIRST COME BASIS. YOUR APPLICATION IS _____ ON THE LIST.

IF YOU ARE NOT THE FIRST APPLICANT

You will be called ONLY IF you become first. Although we would like to call everyone, we do not have the staff members necessary to call those who have filed 2nd, 3rd, or later when the pet is adopted out to an applicant. Those who are not first applicants are certainly welcome to call every few days to check on whether the pet has been adopted to a prior applicant. Be sure to have the animal's intake number and name, if applicable, when you call so that we can assist you quickly.

APPLICATION IS NOT COMPLETE IF:

1. YOU DID NOT PROVIDE COMPLETE LANDLORD OR OTHER INFORMATION ON YOUR APPLICATION.

You must provide that information to FCACC WITHIN 24 HOURS or your application may be voided. It is essential that we have this information as soon as possible to begin processing your application. It is not fair to the animal or to later applicants to keep the animal here while we spend days trying to track down missing information. If you are the first applicant, and we are unable to reach your landlord or parents within 24 hours, we reserve the right to move on to the next applicant.

2. ALL MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD HAVE NOT VISITED WITH THE PROSPECTIVE PET.

Please notify a staff member at the front counter when all family members have visited with the pet.